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Central African Republic

US State Dept Travel Advisory

The US Department of State currently recommends US citizens **DO NOT TRAVEL** to this country due to COVID-19, Embassy Bangui's limited capacity to provide support to US citizens, crime, civil unrest, kidnapping and elections. Consult its website via the link below for any updates to this advisory.

<https://travel.state.gov/content/travel/en/traveladvisories/traveladvisories.html>

Passport/Visa Requirements

US citizens should make sure their passport will not expire for at least 6 months after they enter the country even if they do not intend to stay that long. They should also make sure they have at least 1 blank page in their passport for any entry stamp that will be required. A visa is not required, but airline may require visa.

US Embassy/ Consulate

[236] 21 61 0200; US Embassy in Bangui, Avenue David Dacko, PO Box 924, Bangui, Central African Republic

Vaccinations

An International Certificate of Vaccination for yellow fever is required for all travelers. See WHO recommendations.

<http://www.who.int>

Climate

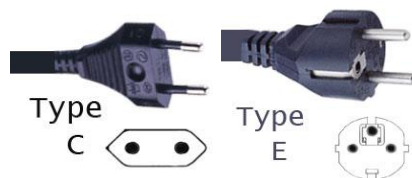
Tropical; hot, dry winters; mild to hot, wet summers

Currency (Code)

Cooperation Financiere en Afrique Central francs (Central African CFA franc, XAF)

Electricity/Voltage/Plug Type(s)

220 V / 50 Hz / plug type(s): C, E



Major Languages

French, Sangho, tribal languages

Religions

Christian 89.5%, Muslim 8.5%, folk 1%, unaffiliated 1%

Time Difference

UTC+1 (6 hours ahead of Washington, DC, during Standard Time)

Potable Water

Opt for bottled water.

International Driving Permit

Suggested

Road Driving Side

Right

Tourist destinations

Boali Falls; Manovo-Gounda Saint Floris National Park; Bangui; Boganda Museum; Dzanga-Sangha National Park; Chinko Nature Reserve; Bouar Megaliths; Andre Felix National Park

Cultural Practices

Locals eat using their hands, so travelers are advised to eat with their hands out of

respect. It is important to eat with the right hand, because the left is often considered unclean.

Tipping Guidelines

Tips of about 10% are customary for wait staff at restaurants. Small tips for hotel service staff are appreciated.

Telephone Code

236

**Local Emergency
Phone**

Local numbers only

Please visit the following links to find further information about your desired destination.

[World Health Organization \(WHO\) - To learn what vaccines and health precautions to take while visiting your destination. http://www.who.int](http://www.who.int)

[US State Dept Travel Information - Overall information about foreign travel for US citizens. https://travel.state.gov/content/travel/en/international-travel.html](https://travel.state.gov/content/travel/en/international-travel.html)

[To obtain an international driving permit \(IDP\). Only two organizations in the US issue IDPs: American Automobile Association \(AAA\) \(www.aaa.com\) and American Automobile Touring Alliance \(ATA\) \(www.aataidp.com\)](http://www.aaa.com)

US citizens may call the US Dept of State (+1-202-501-4444) for emergencies abroad.

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